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Biases Relevant to GPS and GLONASS Data Processing

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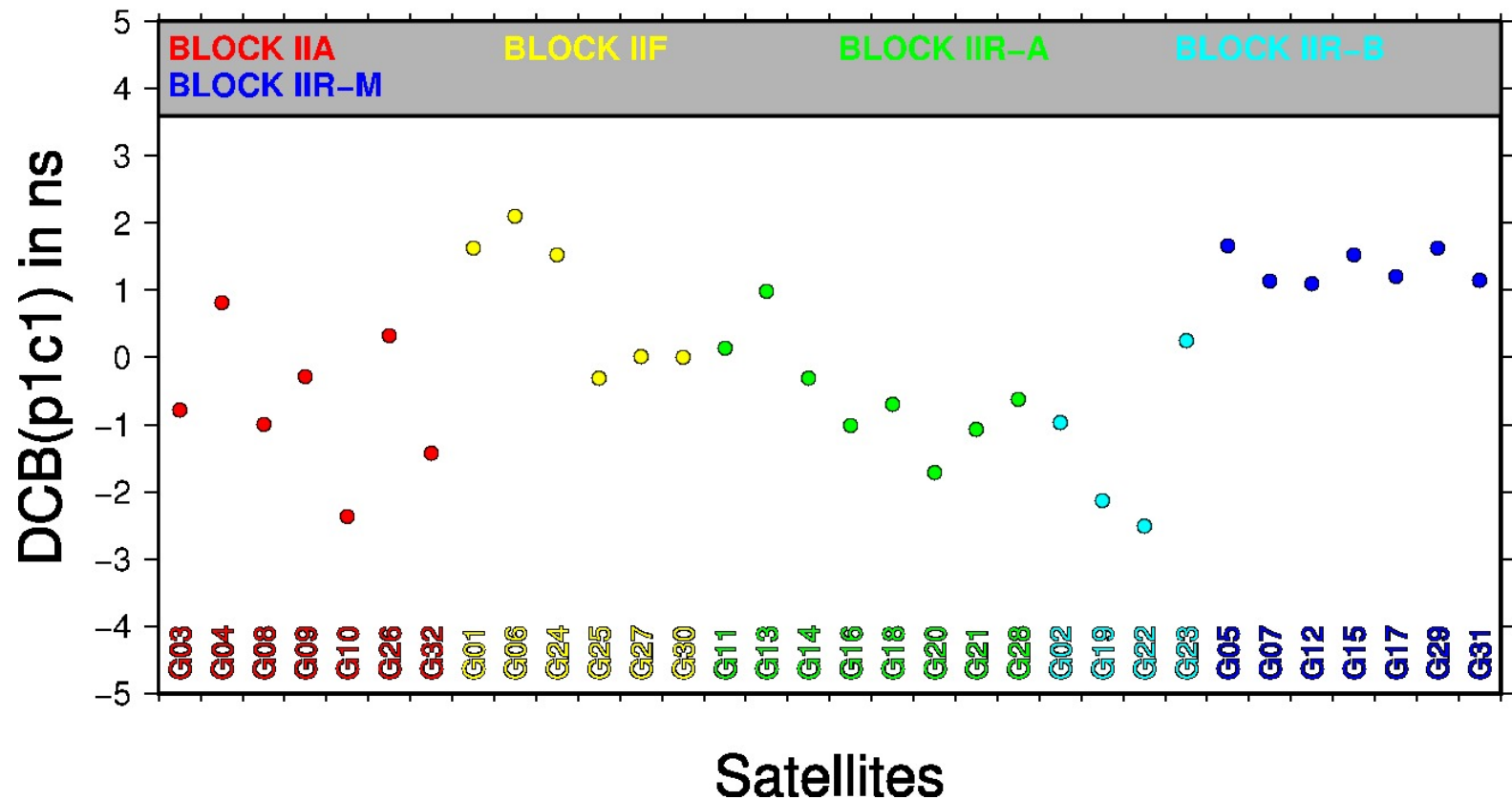


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CODE's GPS P1-C1 DCB (from indirect estimation) as provided to the IGS





Indirect and direct GPS P1-C1 DCB determination (1/3)

GPS receiver classes commonly distinguished:

P1/P2:	C1	P1	P2
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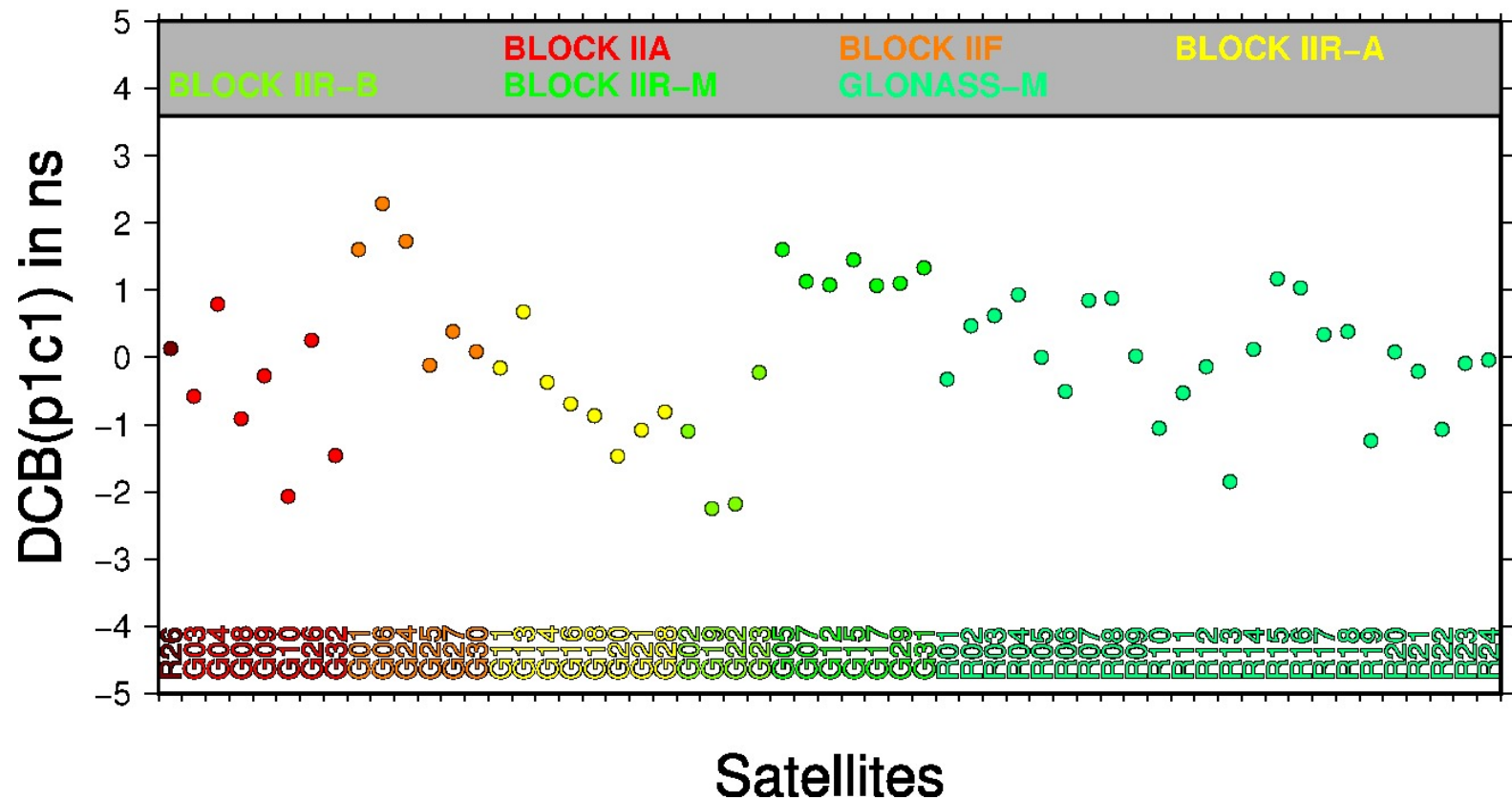
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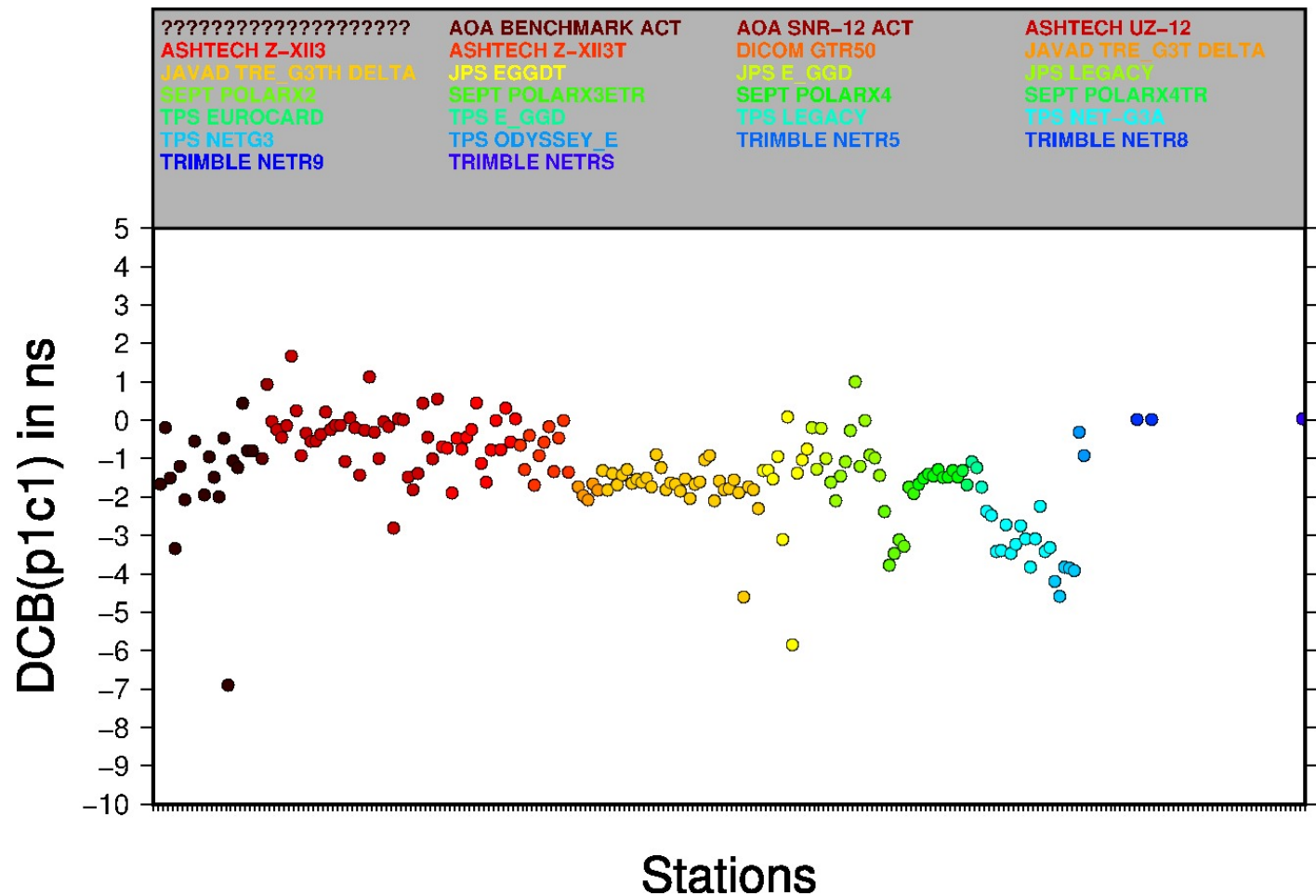


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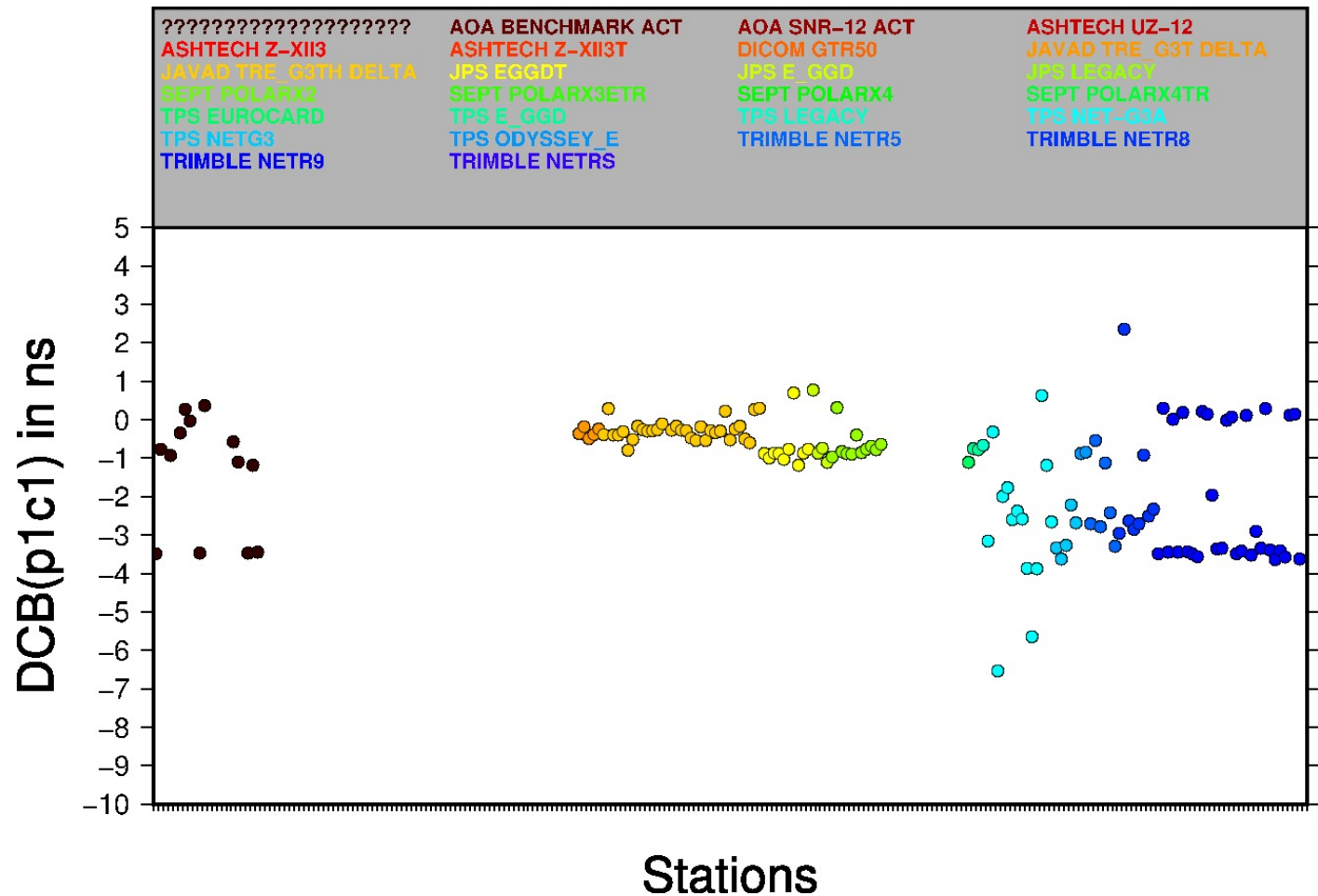


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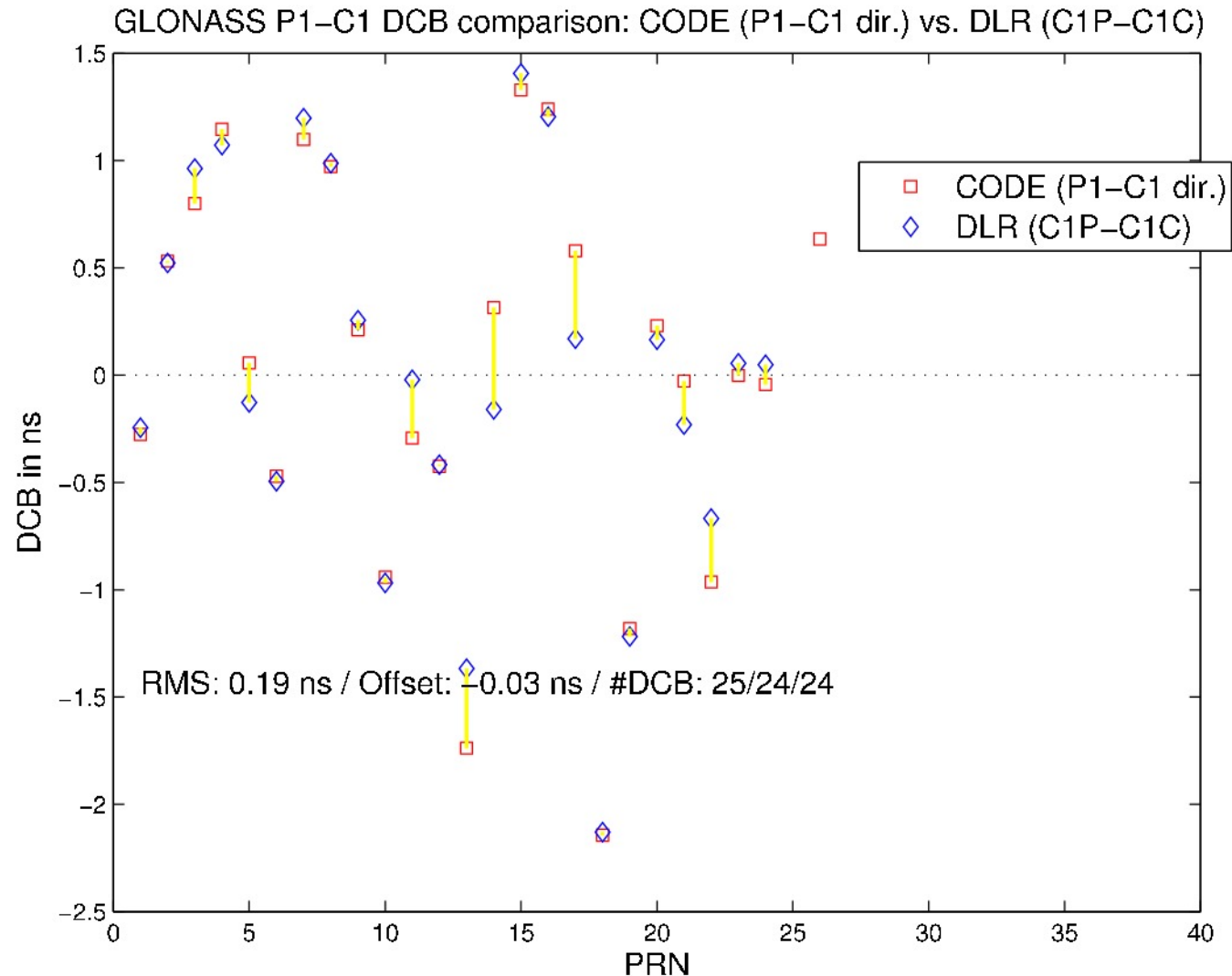


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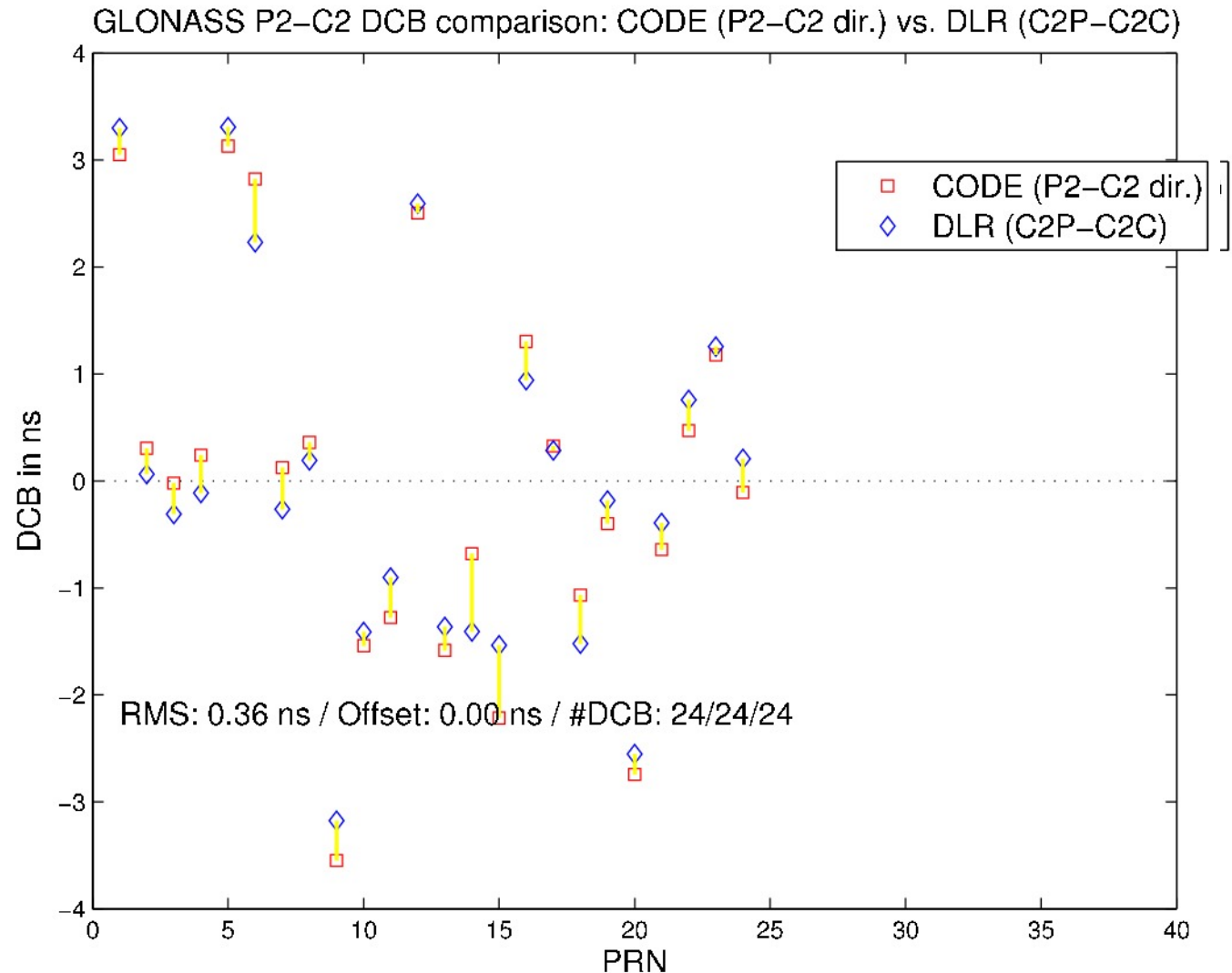


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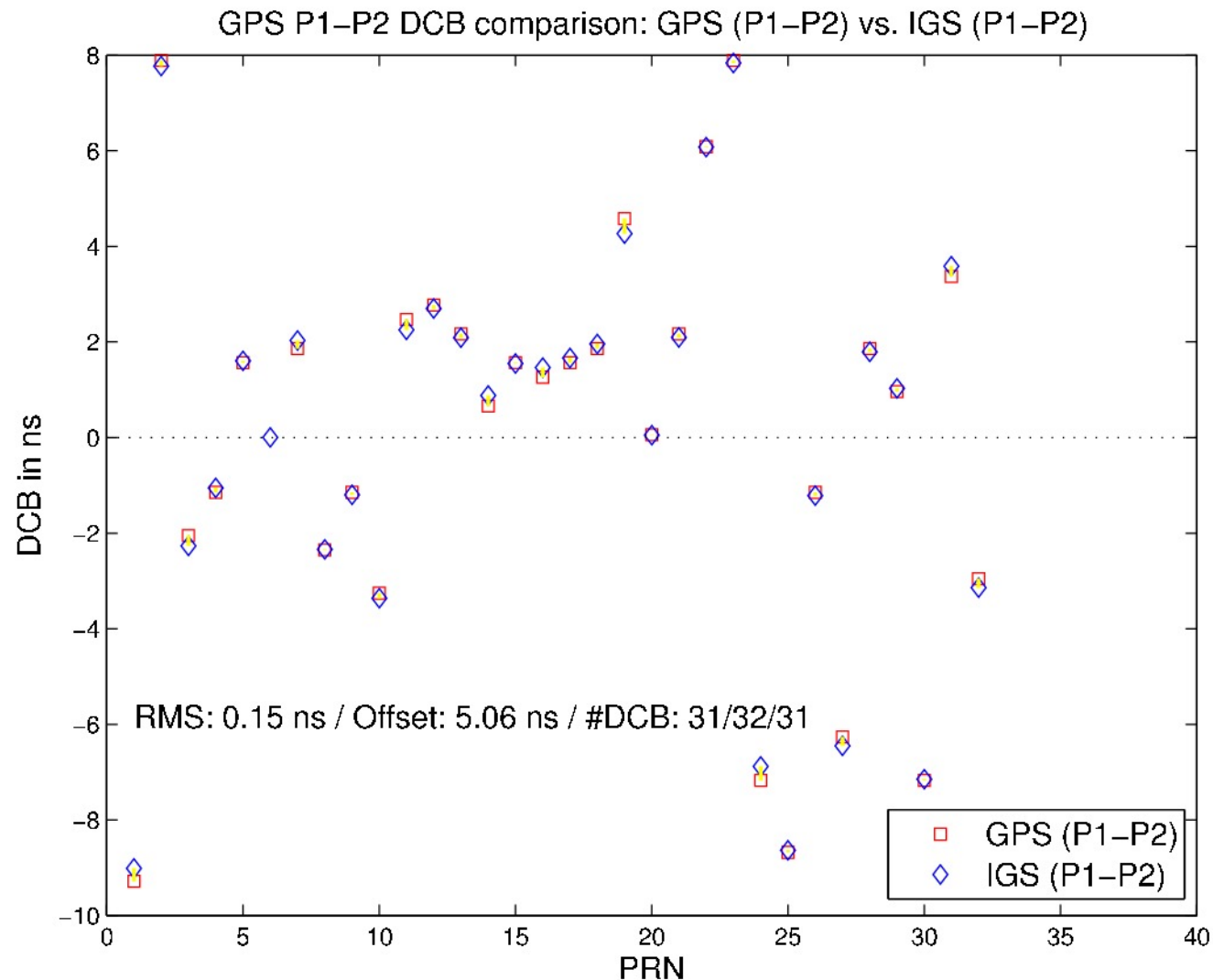


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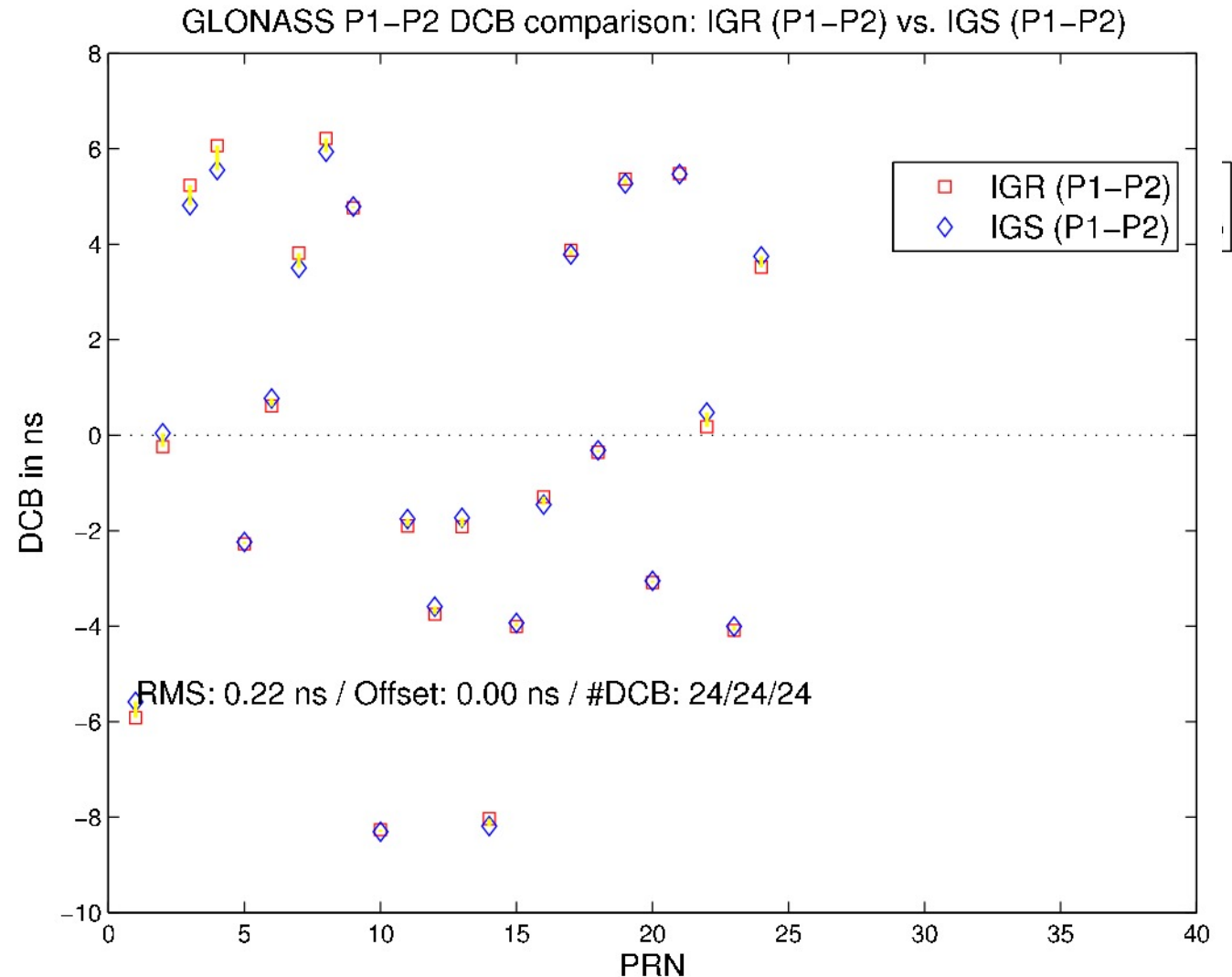


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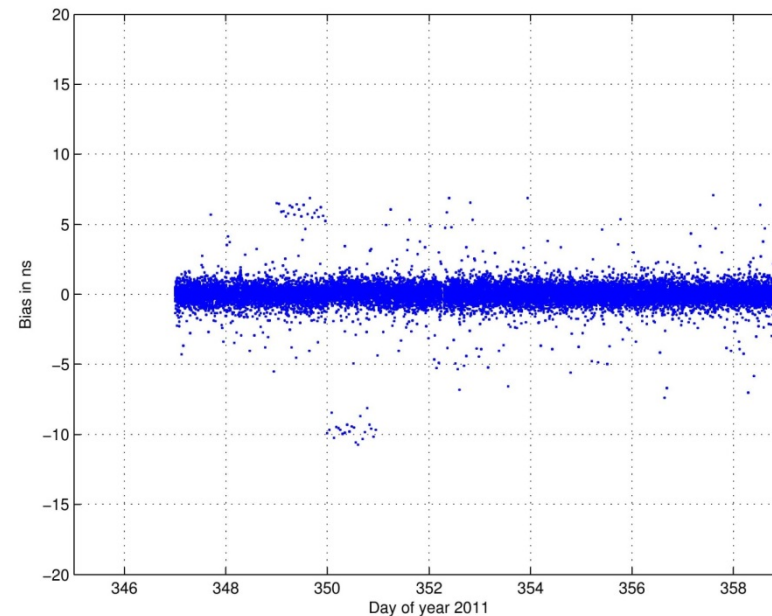


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AC GLONASS bias comparison: COD-ESA

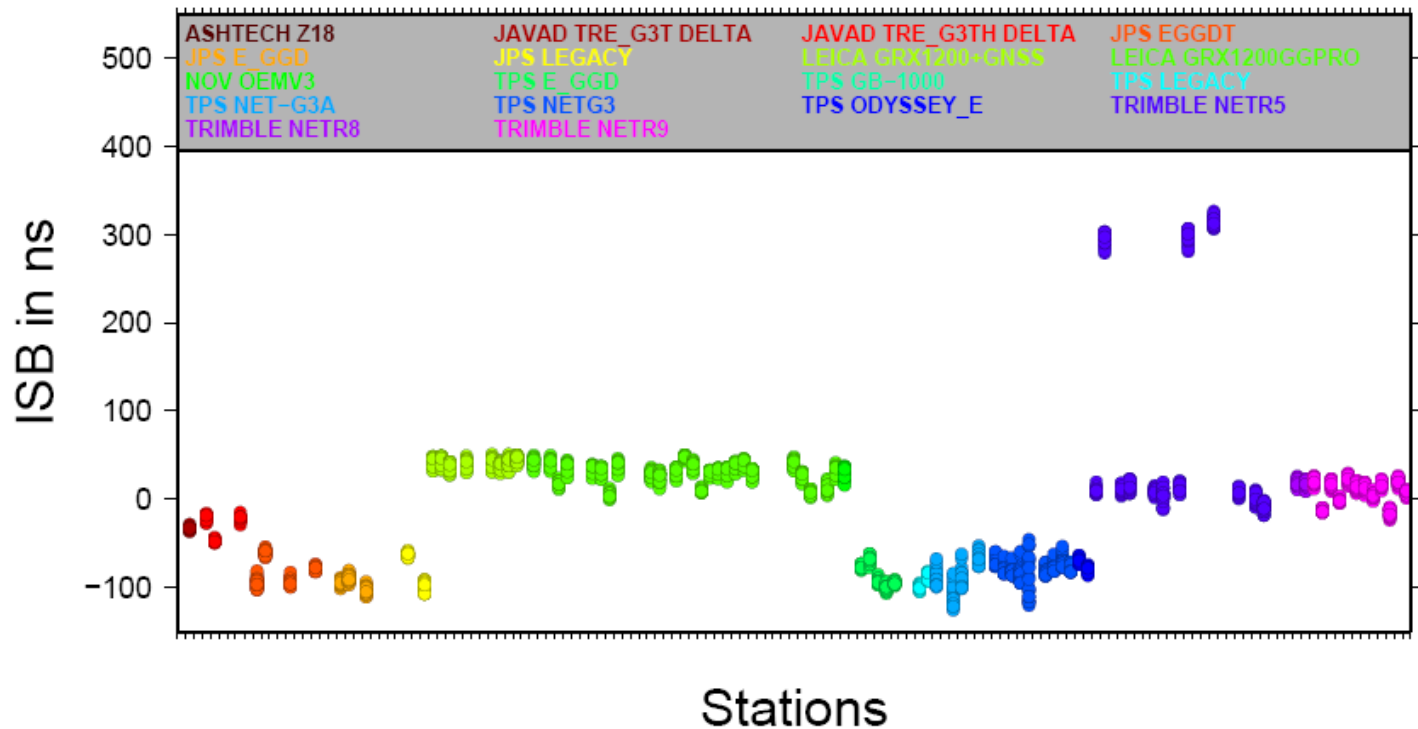


- Best agreement (smallest std) could be achieved for the comparison between COD and ESA
 - with an overall std of 0.79 ns
 - resulting in a single-AC std of 0.56 ns
- Only 24 constants were necessary to compensate for the GLONASS bias datum definition specific to each AC



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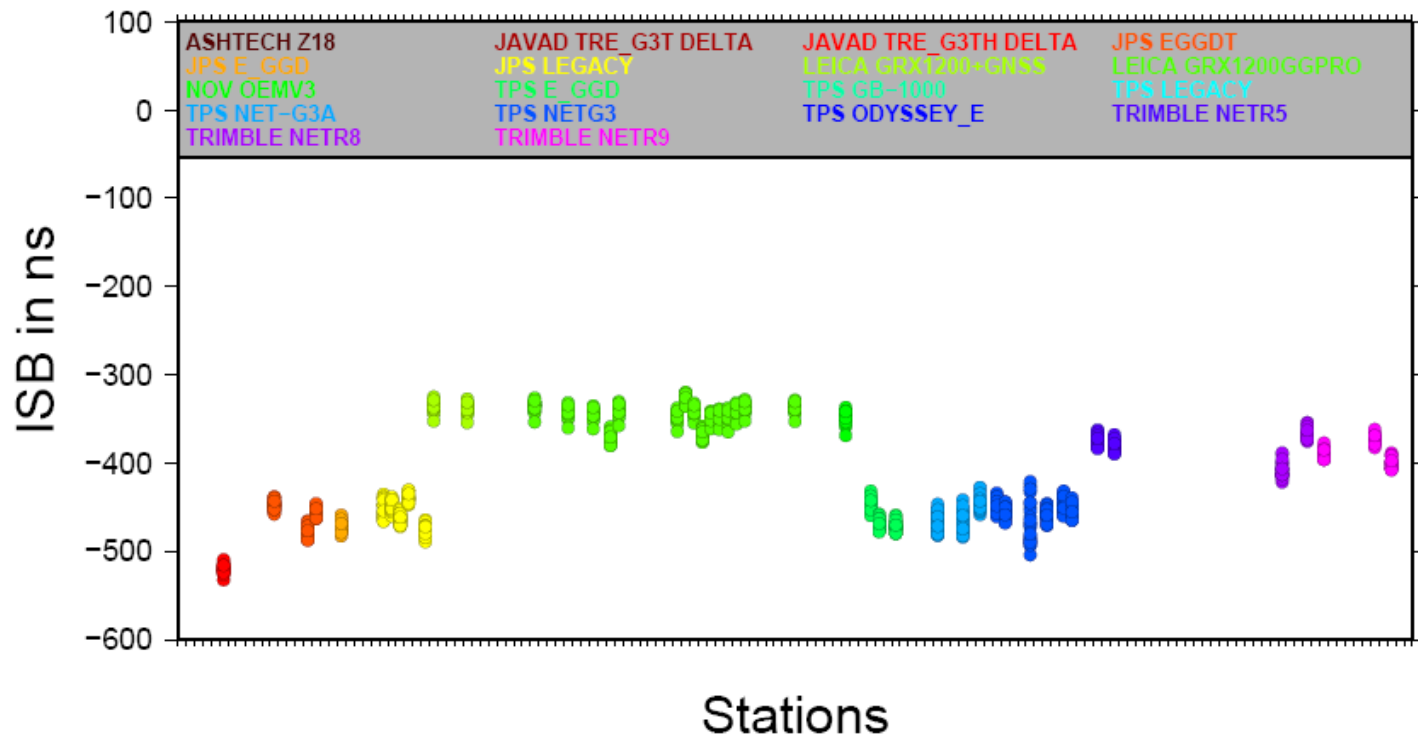
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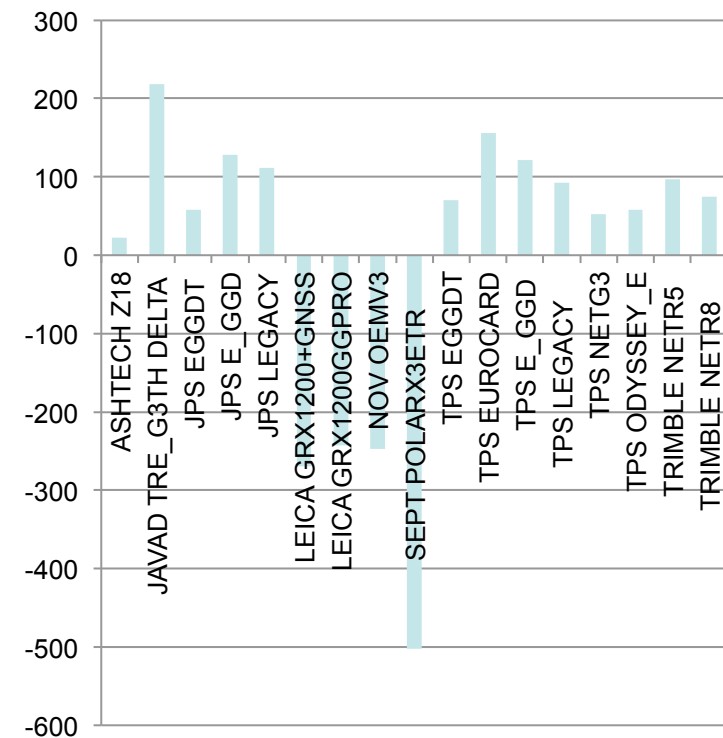
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Receiver type / SD bias / RMS error (ns)

ASHTech Z18	:	22.120	2.268
JAVAD TRE_G3TH DELTA	:	218.901	0.675
JPS EGGDT	:	58.271	0.606
JPS E_GGD	:	128.505	0.565
JPS LEGACY	:	111.921	0.609
LEICA GRX1200+GNSS	:	-269.900	0.753
LEICA GRX1200GGPRO	:	-242.546	0.484
NOV OEMV3	:	-247.286	0.516
SEPT POLARX3ETR	:	-501.984	0.533
TPS EGGDT	:	70.275	0.726
TPS EUROCARD	:	155.776	0.652
TPS E_GGD	:	121.529	0.868
TPS LEGACY	:	92.682	0.517
TPS NETG3	:	52.682	0.507
TPS ODYSSEY_E	:	57.586	0.611
TRIMBLE NETR5	:	96.551	0.515
TRIMBLE NETR8	:	74.919	0.908

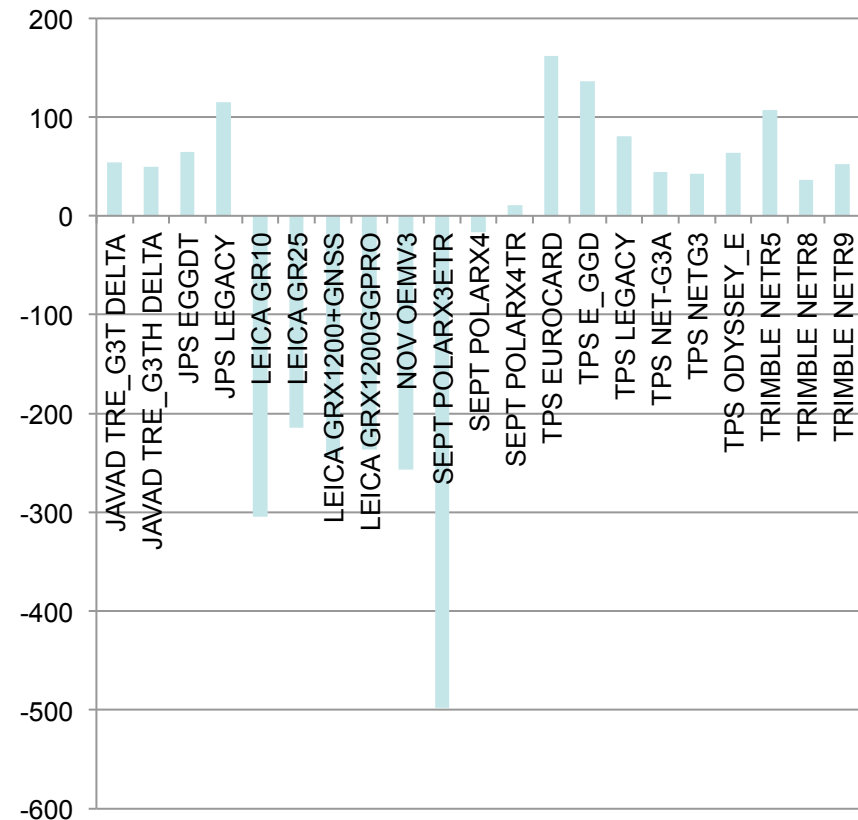




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JAVAD TRE_G3T DELTA :	54.442	2.494
JAVAD TRE_G3TH DELTA:	49.873	0.432
JPS EGGDT :	64.743	0.667
JPS E_GGD :	750.730	1.304
JPS LEGACY :	115.377	0.673
LEICA GR10 :	-304.067	2.017
LEICA GR25 :	-214.176	0.523
LEICA GRX1200+GNSS :	-244.674	0.753
LEICA GRX1200GGPRO :	-236.453	0.844
NOV OEMV3 :	-256.800	0.748
SEPT POLARX3ETR :	-497.962	0.882
SEPT POLARX4 :	-16.684	0.723
SEPT POLARX4TR :	10.562	3.411
TPS EUROCARD :	162.139	0.959
TPS E_GGD :	136.255	4.202
TPS LEGACY :	80.854	0.432
TPS NET-G3A :	43.988	0.524
TPS NETG3 :	42.850	0.432
TPS ODYSSEY_E :	63.384	0.670
TRIMBLE NETR5 :	107.414	0.540
TRIMBLE NETR8 :	36.115	0.633
TRIMBLE NETR9 :	52.091	0.415



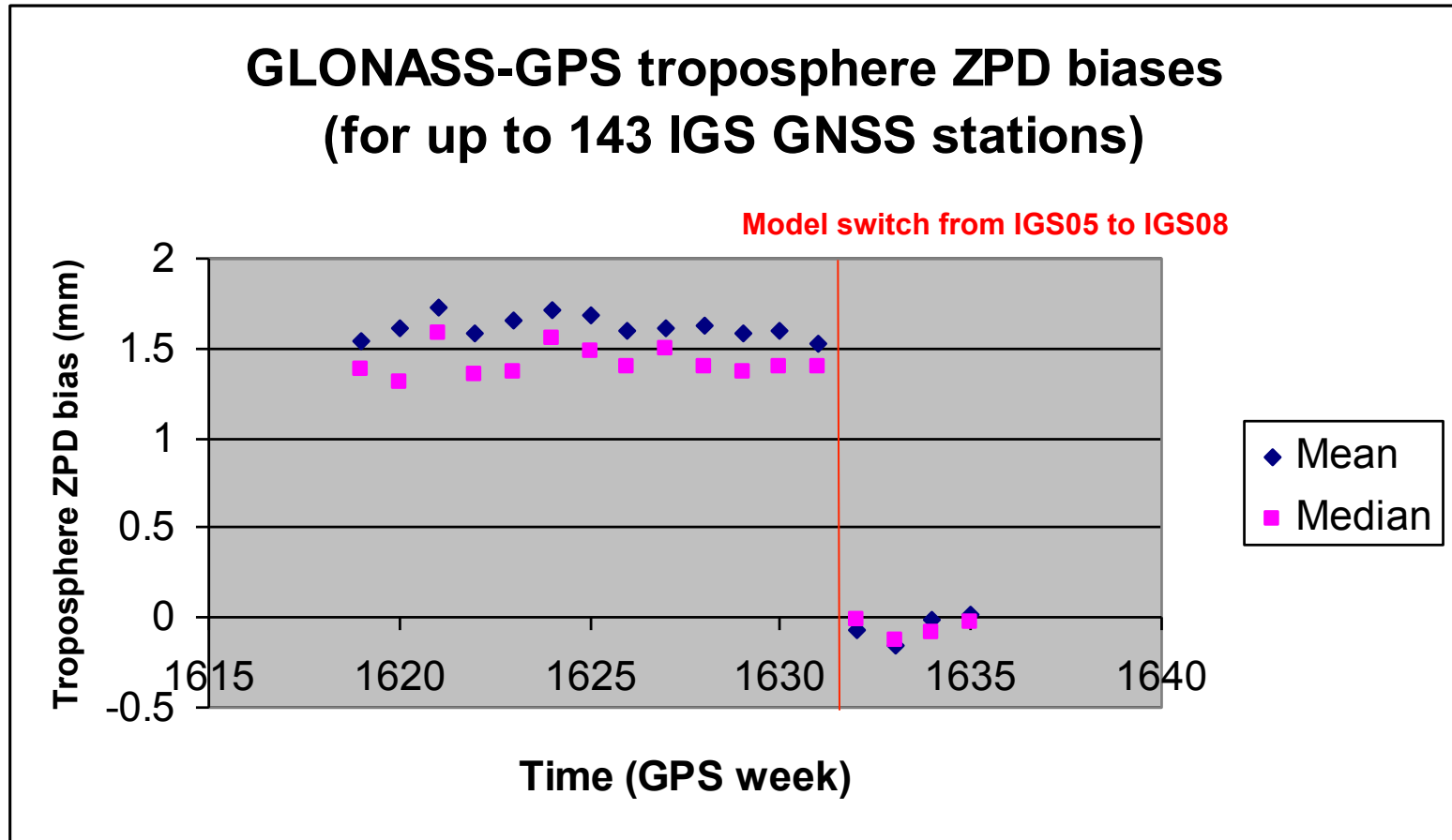


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Mean GLONASS-GPS troposphere ZPD biases: CODE IGS (global) weekly results





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GNSS satellite antenna calibration(s)

- At present, GNSS satellite antenna calibration is just considered with respect the ionosphere-free LC (L_C):
 - $PCV_{L1} = PCV_{LC}$
 - $PCV_{L2} = PCV_{LC}$
 - $PCV_{LC} = 2.55 PCV_{L1} - 1.55 PCV_{L2} = PCV_{LC}$
- For ionosphere analysis, where commonly the geometry-free, or “ionospheric” LC (L_I) is used, a questionable assumption is made: **$PCV_{LI} = 0$**
- “ PCV_{LI} ” must be considered determinable; PCV-dedicated parameters are actually set up in all ionosphere NEQs at CODE.
 - With information on both PCV_{LC} and PCV_{LI} , we could specify:
 - $PCV_{L1} = PCV_{LC} - 1.55 PCV_{LI}$
 - $PCV_{L2} = PCV_{LC} - 2.55 PCV_{LI}$



Summary and outlook (1/3)

- Each GNSS observable is *biased*.
- For high(est)-precision multiple-GNSS applications, the list of relevant biases is already long.
- Handling of biases for GLONASS is (more) demanding (because of FDMA).
- GPS/GLONASS DCB comparisons generally revealed good agreement between our results and DLR's MGEX DCB prototype product (apart from P1-P2 differences).
- Bias SINEX 1.00 to be finalized and adopted by the IGS (BCWG).



Summary and outlook (2/3)

- CODE will start to provide the GPS/GLONASS DCB values in .BIA format as well as in moderately extended Bernese .DCB (with time window info).
- **cc2noncc**, currently maintained by N. Romero, will not to be extended to RINEX-3. Users are encouraged to handle this information in their S/W.
- IGS Bias Workshop 2015 is planned at ESA/ESOC (participation on invitation-only basis).
- See also: www.biasws2012.unibe.ch
- We expect that consideration of station coordinates specific to *each* GNSS will become common.

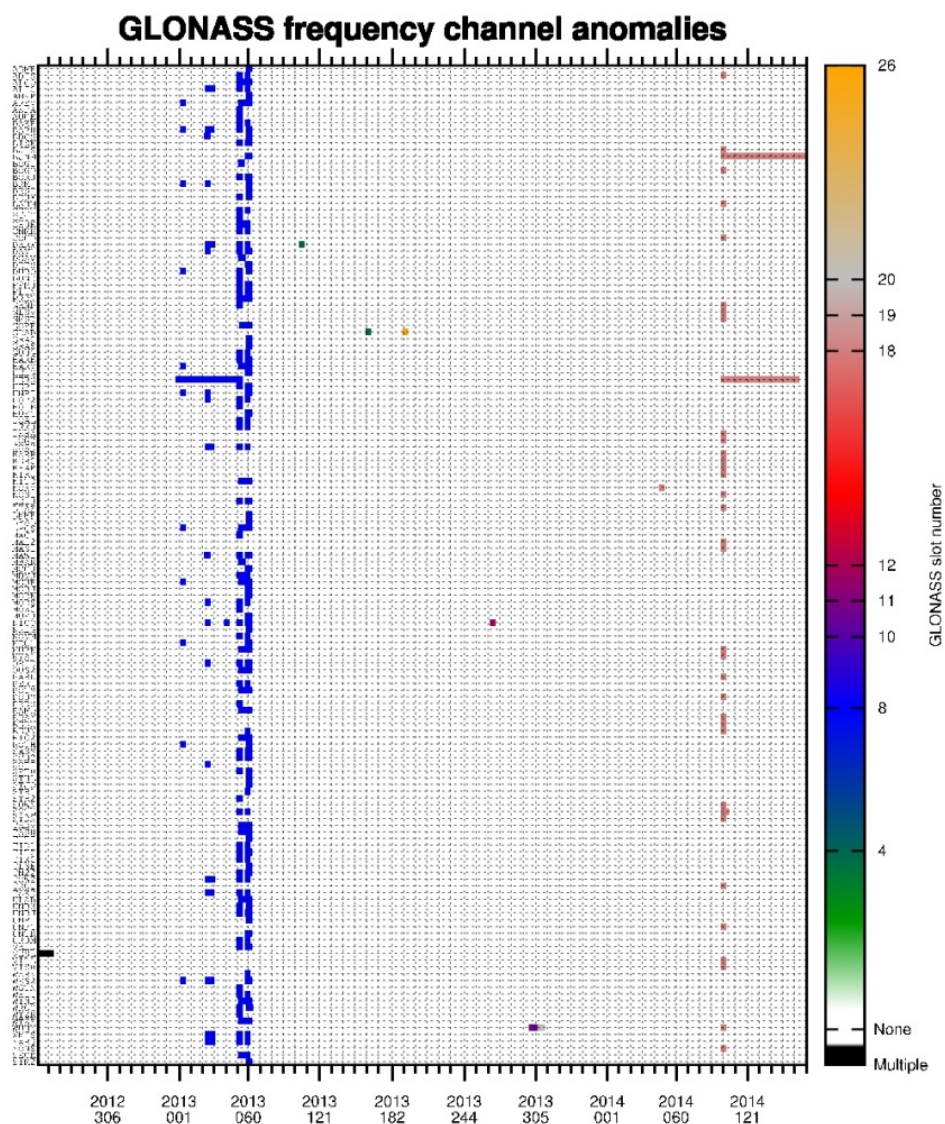


Summary and outlook (3/3)

- From differential (DCB) to “absolute,” or observable(-specific) code bias (ACB, or OCB) values—being consistent with respect to each DCB set and with respect to the “P1/P2” reference convention.



Irregularities in GNSS tracking data





Plethora of GNSS observables: different GPS/GLONASS receiver tracking (1/3)

AOA BENCHMARK ACT	(0.49%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
AOA SNR-12 ACT	(0.27%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
ASHTECH PF500	(0.27%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
ASHTECH UZ-12	(10.60%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
ASHTECH Z-XII3	(4.31%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
ASHTECH Z-XII3T	(2.92%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
DICOM GTR50	(0.26%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
JAVAD EGGDT	(0.08%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
JAVAD TRE_G3T DELTA	(1.35%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
JAVAD TRE_G3TH DELTA	(0.13%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
JAVAD TRE_G3TH DELTA	(7.92%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
JPS E_GGD	(1.46%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
JPS EGGDT	(2.96%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
JPS LEGACY	(3.26%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
LEICA GR10	(0.19%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
LEICA GR10	(0.86%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
LEICA GR25	(2.86%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
LEICA GRX1200GGPRO	(0.02%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
LEICA GRX1200GGPRO	(9.80%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
LEICA GRX1200+GNSS	(4.74%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
LEICA GRX1200PRO	(0.82%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
LEICA RS500	(0.25%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
NOV OEM4-G2	(0.26%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
NOV OEMV3	(0.96%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
ROGUE SNR-8000	(0.03%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
SEPT POLARX2	(1.83%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	.	.	.	.
SEPT POLARX3ETR	(0.54%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
SEPT POLARX4	(0.26%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	.	R:C2
SEPT POLARX4	(2.40%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
SEPT POLARX4	(0.25%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
SEPT POLARX4	(0.02%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
SEPT POLARX4TR	(0.24%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.



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TPS EUROCARD	(0.27%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TPS GB-1000	(0.27%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TPS LEGACY	(0.31%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TPS NET-G3A	(3.31%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TPS NET-G3A	(1.05%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
TPS NETG3	(0.05%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2
TPS NETG3	(1.87%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TPS ODYSSEY_E	(0.79%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TRIMBLE 4000SSI	(1.35%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
TRIMBLE 4700	(0.81%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
TRIMBLE 5700	(0.53%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
TRIMBLE NETR5	(0.05%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
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TRIMBLE NETR9	(1.52%)	G:C1	.	G:P2
TRIMBLE NETR9	(8.91%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	R:P1	R:P2	.
TRIMBLE NETR9	(0.25%)	G:C1	.	G:P2	.	R:C1	.	R:P2	.
TRIMBLE NETRS	(0.27%)	G:C1	G:P1	G:P2
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